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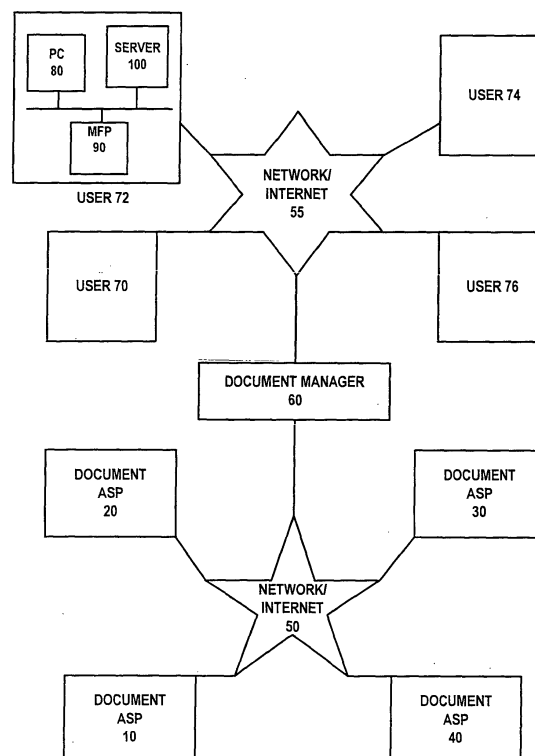
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(54) **System and method for managing documents**

(57) The system includes an image forming apparatus (90) configured to display interactive menus so as to allow an operator (72) of the image forming apparatus (90) to interact with a document manager (60). The display interactive menus are downloaded from the document manager (60) to the image forming apparatus based on a request by the operator (72). The document manager (60) is configured to search for application services providers (ASPs) (19-40) over a network (50) and based on operator inputs. The document manager (60) can search documents within the ASPs (10-40), retrieve documents and URLs, store documents and data. The system can provide basic and/or customized interactive menus displayed on the screen of the image forming apparatus (90).

FIG.2



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